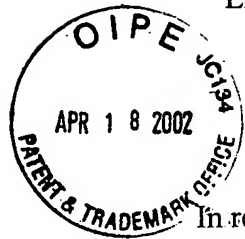


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "A"

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend Paragraph 38 on page 12 as follows:

Q1 Figure 4 illustrates how, according to one embodiment, the holder 80 holds the dental device on a dental hand piece holding tray 100. As shown, the dental hand piece holding tray 100 includes several holders 80 or holding slots configured for holding dental hand pieces. An existing turbine hand piece 90 is placed into one of the holders 80 and the dental device of the invention is held within another of the holders 80.

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- Preliminary Amendment "A"
- Information Disclosure Statement
- Form PTO-1449 Listing Seventy-Eight (78) References
- Copies of the Listed References
- Form PTO-2038 for \$258.00
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Respectfully submitted,

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment for entry in the above-identified application.

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X Form PTO-1449 listing seventy-eight (78) references submitted for consideration.

X Copies of the seventy-eight (78) references listed on the Form PTO-1449.

The Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the later of either three (3) months following the filing date or the mailing of a first Office Action. Accordingly, no fee is due.

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